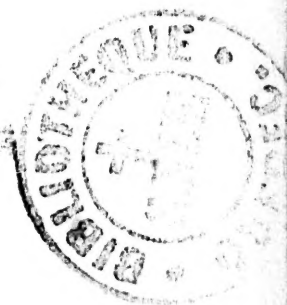


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RULES OF THE GAME
OF THE
Hadlow Curling Club.

ESTABLISHED 11th JAN., 1862.



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CONSTITUTION

OF THE

HADLOW CURLING CLUB.

I. No person shall be admitted a member of the Club except by ballot at a General Meeting called for that purpose, of which due notice shall be given to each Member ; such notice to give the name of each candidate, and the names of his proposer and seconder. To secure the admission of any candidate, it shall be necessary that nine-tenths of the members present at the ballot shall vote in his favor.

II. The Office-Bearers of the Club shall consist of a President, Vice-President, and Secretary, who shall also act as Treasurer, and who shall be exempt from annual subscription ; and four other members, making in all seven, who shall form the Committee of Management, and be elected at the Annual General Meeting, continuing in office for one year, but may be re-elected.

III. The Annual General Meeting, for the election of office-bearers, and for other purposes, shall be held on the

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first Monday of October, in each year, from and after this date ; seven to form a quorum, which number shall be the quorum at all meetings.

IV. Each member shall, upon his admission into the Club, pay an Entrance Fee of One Dollar, besides an annual subscription of Two Dollars, payable at the Annual General Meeting ; but should such member be an *employé* of the G. T. R., whose duty calls him frequently from home, such as Conductors, Engine-men, &c., the above rates to be reduced one-half. These payments to form a fund for defraying the expenses of the Club, under the direction of the Committee of Management ; and no member who shall be in arrears to be allowed to play till he has paid them up.

V. Each new member, within one month after election, shall provide himself with a pair of Curling Stones ; and any member already elected will not be admitted on the Ice until he is so provided ;—the Stones not to become Club property without the consent of the owner.

VI. Any regular member not in arrears removing from Hadlow or vicinity, or being unable, from ill-health or otherwise, to take part in the noble Game, may be elected an Honorary Member without payment of the annual subscription ; and should any such Honorary Member afterwards desire to resume his place in the Club, he shall be entitled to do so without the payment of any new entrance fee. This rule shall have a retroactive effect.

VII. Any member not in arrears may resign, upon his giving due notice in writing to the Secretary ; and any

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member in arrears for more than twelve months shall cease to be a member of the Club.

VIII. Tuesday and Friday of each week shall be Club days, and the first Game shall on these days commence at one o'clock, and terminate at two o'clock ; so that members who may have been unable to attend at one o'clock may have an opportunity of playing in the second Game, which will commence at 2½ p.m., and end at five p.m.—No individual not a member of the Club will be allowed to play on Club days to the exclusion of any regular member present, who may wish to play.

IX. The Secretary shall invariably record the first Game played in each season ; and it shall also be his duty to record any Game played, of which particulars may be handed to him by any of the Skips, and to have on the Rink each Club day a copy of the Rules of the Royal Caledonian Club and Hadlow Club Bye-Laws.

X. The members of the Club shall dine together each year on such day as shall be appointed by the Committee of Management, and only those members partaking of the dinner shall be expected to pay the expense of it.

XI. The preceding regulations shall be considered as permanent rules, and not changeable but by the concurrence of two-thirds of all the members present at a meeting expressly convened for that purpose.

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HADLOW CURLING CLUB.

RULES OF THE GAME.

1. The length of the Rink played shall be *forty-two* yards. The Tees shall be put down thirty-eight yards apart. In a continued straight line with the Tees, and four yards distant from each, a circle, eighteen inches in diameter, shall be drawn on the left-hand side of said line (looking in the direction to be played), and its edge just touching it. Within this circle, whether standing on the ice, or on any rest, support, or abutment whatsoever, permitted by the Rules, each player, when playing his Stone, shall place his right foot ; and his left foot on the left-hand side of the central line. (The circle to be on the opposite side of the line, if the player be left-handed.) When a hack or hatch in the ice is used, it must be *behind* the circle above described, and not of greater length than fourteen inches, measuring from the central line. A circle of *seven* feet radius, to be described from each Tee, as a centre ; and no stone to count which is wholly without this circle. The Hog-score to be distant from each Tee one-sixth part of the length of the whole Rink played.

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Every Stone to be a Hog, which does not clear a square place upon the score ; but no Stone to be considered a Hog, which has struck another Stone lying over the Hog-score. A line shall be drawn on the ice, at right angles to the Rink, half-way betwixt the Tees, which shall be called "The Middle Line." In no case shall the Rink played be less than *thirty-two* yards.

So soon as the Rink is marked off, and before beginning to play, the *terms* of the match or game must be distinctly stated and fixed by the Skips, if they have not been previously arranged. These terms may either be that the parties shall play for a specified *time*, or a game of a certain number of shots. Though the terms have been previously fixed, they should here be repeated.

2. Every Rink to be composed of four players a side, each with two Stones, *unless otherwise mutually agreed upon*. Before commencing the game, each Skip shall state to his opposing Skip the rotation in which his men are to play, and the rotation so fixed is not to be changed during the game. Each pair of players shall play one Stone alternately with his opponent, till he has played both.

3. The two Skips opposing each other shall settle, by lot or any other way they may agree upon, which party shall lead ; after which, the winning party of the last end shall do so.

4. Each party, before beginning to play, and during the course of each end, to be arranged along the sides of the Rink, any where betwixt the middle line and the Tee, which their Skip may direct ; but no party, except when

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sweeping according to rule, shall go upon the middle of the Rink, nor cross it under any pretence whatever. The Skips alone to stand at or about the Tee, as their turn requires.

5. If a player plays out of turn, the Stone so played may be stopped in its progress and returned to the player. If the mistake shall not be discovered till the Stone is again at rest, the opposite party shall have the option to add one to their score, and the game proceed in its original rotation ; or to declare the end null and void.

6. The Sweeping Department shall be under the exclusive direction and control of the Skips. The player's party shall be allowed to sweep when the Stone has passed the middle line, and till it reaches the Tee ; the adverse party when it has passed the Tee. The sweeping to be always to a side, or across the Rink ; and no *sweepings* to be moved forwards and left in front of a running Stone, so as to stop or obstruct its course.

7. If, in sweeping or otherwise, a Running Stone be marred by any of the party to which it belongs, it shall be put off the ice ; if by any of the adverse party, it shall be placed where the Skip of the party to which it belongs shall direct. If marred by any other means, the player shall re-play his Stone. Should any played Stone be accidentally displaced, before the last Stone is played and at rest, by any of the party who are then lying the shot, they shall forfeit the end ; if by any of the losing party at that end, who have the Stone yet to play, they shall be prevented from playing that Stone, and have one shot

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deducted from their score. The number of shots to be counted at said end by the winners, to be decided by a majority of the players, the offenders not having a vote.

8. Every player to come provided with a besom, to be ready to play when his turn comes, and not to take more than a reasonable time to play his Stone. Should he accidentally play a wrong Stone, any of the players may stop it while running ; but if not stopped till it is again at rest, it shall be replaced by the one which he ought to have played.

9. No measuring of shots allowable previous to the termination of the end. Disputed shots to be determined by the Skips ; or, if they disagree, by the Umpire ; or, when there is no Umpire, by some neutral person mutually chosen by them, whose decision shall be final. All measurements to be taken from the centre of the Tee to that part of the Stone which is nearest to it. No Stone shall be considered *within* or *without* a circle, unless it clear it ; and every Stone shall be held as resting *on* a line, which does not completely clear it : in every case, this is to be determined by placing a square on the ice, at that part of the circle or line in dispute.

10. Each Skip shall have the exclusive regulation and direction of the game for his party, and may play in what part of it he pleases ; but having chosen his place at the beginning, he must retain it till the end of the game. The players may give their advice, but cannot control their director ; nor are they, upon any pretext, to address themselves to the person about to play. Each Skip, when his own turn to play comes, shall name one of his party to

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take charge for him. Every player to follow implicitly the direction given him. If any player shall improperly speak to, taunt, or interrupt another, while in the act of delivering his Stone, one shot shall be added to the score of the party so interrupted, and the end proceed as before.

11. If, from any change of weather after a game has been begun, or from any other reasonable cause whatsoever, one party shall desire to shorten the Rink, or to change to another one, and *if the two Skips cannot agree upon it*, the Umpire for the occasion shall be called ; and he shall, *after seeing one end played*, determine whether the Rink shall be shortened, and how much, or whether it shall be changed ; and his determination shall be final and binding on all parties. Should there be no Umpire appointed for the occasion, or should he be otherwise engaged, the two Skips may call in any Curler unconnected with the disputing parties, whose services can most readily be got ; and, subject to the same conditions, his powers shall be equally extensive as the Umpire aforesaid.

12. Every Stone touching the boards of the Rink before passing the Tee, shall be immediately taken off the ice ; and any Stone it may accidentally displace, after touching the boards, shall be replaced as nearly in the same position as possible.

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